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Station in Ajdovscina

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1. The Slovensko Primorje relay broadcasting station in Ajdovscina is on an estate which formerly belonged to a wealthy Italian named Rizzato. At the end of the war Rizzato's property was seized and he was expelled from Yugoslavia. The estate, including the radio station building and a villa, is surrounded by a hedge and a barbed wire fence. Until August 1948, members of the Yugoslav Border Commission were billeted in the villa.

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Comment: [redacted] does not indicate what use is being made of the villa at present.)

2. This relay broadcasting station is a link in the Slovene broadcasting net, which has its center in Ljubljana and another relay station in Maribor. The broadcasting net is under the supervision of the Direction of Broadcasting Services of the Slovene Government, with main offices at Cankarjeva Street, Ljubljana.
3. Until recently, the Slovensko Primorje station operated with an output of 1.5 kw; during the last summer this capacity was increased to 10 kw. The technical equipment and the antenna tower are of German origin. At present the installation at Villa Rizzato serves only as a relay station, but plans are being made for programs which will originate at this station.

4. Identification: (Numbers correspond to those on the attached map.)

- (1) Anteroom
- (2) Studio with microphone
- (3) Technical installation
- (4) Apartments of technicians, Baucer and Beneralj
- (5) and (6) Director's apartment.

The antenna tower, which is made of iron, is 52 meters high. It is 12 meters south of the station building. On top of the tower there is a large, five-pointed star which is neon-lighted at night.

5. Personnel:

Director: Unknown to source.

Mario Baucer, electrical technician; 25 years old; born near Ajdovscina;

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1.60 m. tall; thin; chestnut hair; blue eyes. Baucer is not a Communist. He served in the Italian Army as a radio operator, and was later employed by the Americans.

Rado Beneralj, electrical technician; 27 years old; born in Velike Zablje, near Ajdovscina; 1.80 m tall; husky; dark hair and eyes. Beneralj also served in the Italian Army as a radio operator and subsequently was employed by the Americans. He is not a Communist.

Third technician: Name unknown to source; the third technician is a Communist; 30 years old; small; thin; slightly bald. He does not live at the station.

Attachment: 1 sketch

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